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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §§1.111 AND 1.143**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 11, 2007, setting forth a requirement for restriction, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§1.111 and 1.143, Applicants provisionally elect, with traverse, the subject matter of Group 2, claims 1, 5, 6, 12-14, 23, 38-41, 43, 45, 47 and 49, drawn to a polypeptide comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 3 or SEQ ID NO: 5 and amino acid positions 1-4 in SEQ ID NO: 5 as follows: Xaa1: pyroglutamate (pGlu), Xaa2: deletion, Xaa3: glycine (Gly) and Xaa4: valine (Val), respectively.

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